

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) ~~An electrical~~ A receptacle connector mounted on a circuit board, said receptacle connector comprising an insulator and a plurality of contact pins held by the insulator, wherein the insulator comprises a base portion elongated in a first direction (X) and having a thickness in a second direction (Y) perpendicular to the first direction (X) and a height in a third direction (Z) perpendicular to the first and second directions (X, Y), the insulator further comprises a plate like portion, the plate like portion extending in the second direction (Y) from a top end of the base portion in the third direction (Z) and having first and second lower and upper surfaces opposite to each other in the third direction (Z), the plate like portion having a plurality of grooves formed in the first lower surface, the grooves extending in parallel with each other in the second direction (Y) and being spaced from each other in the first direction (X) so that a plurality of ridges are formed between the respective neighboring ones of the grooves in the first direction (X), and wherein the contact pins are supported by the base portion and extend in the second direction (Y) along the grooves, respectively, characterized in that the insulator is provided with a pattern on the second upper surface, the pattern comprises at least one depressed portion a plurality of depressed portions formed in on the second upper surface and/or at least one raised portion a plurality of raised portions formed on the second upper surface, wherein the insulator is made of anisotropic resin, wherein each of the depressed portions extends in the second direction (Y) and having an extent longer in the second direction (Y) than in the first direction (X), and wherein each of the raised portions extends in the second direction (Y) and has an extent longer in the second direction (Y) than in the first direction (X), wherein each of the depressed portions is positioned in correspondence with any one of the ridges, or wherein each of the raised portions is positioned in correspondence with any one of the grooves, or both.

Claim 2. (Currently Amended) The ~~electrical~~ receptacle connector according to claim 1, wherein the insulator is made of ~~anisotropic resin,~~ preferably liquid crystal polymer.

Claims 3-5. (Canceled).

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) The ~~electrical~~ receptacle connector according to claim 1, wherein each of the depressed portions is comprised to two or more sections, which are arranged on one imaginary line extending in the second direction (Y).

Claim 7. (Currently Amended) The ~~electrical~~ receptacle connector according to claim 1, wherein each of the raised portions is comprised of two or more sections, which are arranged on one imaginary line extending in the second direction (Y).

Claim 8. (Currently Amended) The ~~electrical~~ receptacle connector according to claim 6, wherein the sections constituting one depressed portion have different depths from each other.

Claim 9. (Currently Amended) The ~~electrical~~ receptacle connector according to claim 7, wherein the sections constituting one raised portion have different heights from each other.

Claim 10. (Currently Amended) The ~~electrical~~ receptacle connector according to claim 6, wherein the sections constituting one depressed portion are separated from each other in the second direction (Y).

Claim 11. (Currently Amended) The ~~electrical~~ receptacle connector according to claim 7, wherein the sections constituting one raised portion are separated from each other in the second direction (Y).

Claim 12. (Currently Amended) ~~The electrical connector according to claim 1~~ A receptacle connector mounted on a circuit board, said receptacle connector comprising an insulator and a plurality of contact pins held by the insulator, wherein the insulator comprises a base portion elongated in a first direction (X) and having a thickness in a second direction (Y) perpendicular to the first direction (X) and a height in a third direction (Z) perpendicular to the first and second directions (X, Y), the insulator further comprises a plate like portion, the plate like portion extending in the second direction (Y) from a top end of the base portion in the third direction (Z) and having lower and upper surfaces opposite to each other in the third direction (Z), the plate like portion having a plurality of grooves formed in the lower surface, the grooves extending parallel to each other in the second direction (Y) and being spaced from each other in the first direction (X) so that a plurality of ridges are formed between the respective neighboring ones of the grooves in the first direction (X), and wherein the contact pins are supported by the base portion and extend in the second direction (Y) along the grooves, respectively, characterized in that the insulator is provided with a pattern on the upper surface, wherein the pattern comprises at least one raised portion extending in the first direction (X), the raised portion having a shape an extent longer in the first direction (X) than in the second direction (Y), wherein the insulator is made of anisotropic resin.

Claim 13. (Currently Amended) The ~~electrical~~ receptacle connector according to claim 12, wherein a plurality of raised portions are arranged in the first direction (X), and/or arranged in the second direction (Y).

Claim 14. (Currently Amended) The ~~electrical~~ receptacle connector according to claim 13, wherein the plurality of raised portions are separated from each other in the first and/or the second directions (X, Y).

Claim 15. (Currently Amended) The ~~electrical~~ receptacle connector according to claim 12, which further comprises depressed portions in the ~~second~~ upper surface, each of the depressed portions extending in the second direction (Y) without intersecting with the raised portions.

Claim 16. (Currently Amended) The ~~electrical~~ receptacle connector according to claim 1, wherein the insulator further comprises two side blocks joined to the base portion and the plate like portion at opposite ends thereof in the first direction (X), and the insulator is covered with a tubular metallic shell, the metallic shell comprising a top portion overlying the ~~second~~ upper surface of the plate like portion, opposite side portions overlying outer surfaces of the opposite two side blocks, and a lower portion extending between the two opposite side blocks in the first direction (X) and facing the ~~first~~ lower surface of the plate like portion spaced from the ~~first~~ lower surface and the contact pins in the third direction (Z).

Claim 17. (Currently Amended) The ~~electrical~~ receptacle connector according to ~~claim~~ claim 16, which further comprises a ground plate, which comprises a plate portion extending in the first direction (X) and being held in the base portion, and ground contact ~~portions~~ pins extending from the plate portion in the second direction (Y) along the lower portion of the metallic shell, the ground ~~contacts~~ contact pins being spaced from the contact pins in the third direction (Z).